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SUBJ: IRISH ATTACK EC PRICE PROPOSALS

1. IRELAND MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, MARK CLINTON, ON ARRIVAL IN BRUSSELS TO ATTEND HIS FIRST MINISTERIAL MEETING, REPORTED TO IRISH PRESS WRITERS THAT HE WILL FLATLY REJECT COMMISSION' S PROPOSED 2.76 PERCENT INCREASE IN FARM PRICES. HE SAID PROPOSAL WAS ONLY " BARGAINING FIGURE THAT THEY KNOW WILL HAVE TO IBDSASE." MINISTER CLINTON IN HARD HITTING ATTACK ON COMMISSION' S PROPOSAL, SAID IT WAS " DISHONEST" IN THAT ITS CALCULATIONS INCLUDED INCREASE FOR BEEF OF 10.7 PERCENT WHICH WAS NOT OPERATIVE BECAUSE

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MARKET PRICES WERE ALREADY ABOVE THAT LEVEL; " AMBIGUOUS"
AS IT WAS BASED ON HARMONIZATION WHEN HARMONY DOES NOT
EXIST; AND NOT HIGH ENOUGH TO PROVIDE INDUCEMENT FOR
INCREASE PRODUCTION.

2. MR. CLINTON SURMISED THAT BRITAIN AND ITALY WOULD BE
SEEKING LOWER LEVEL OF PRICES, AND IRELAND AND DENMARK
WOULD OPPOSE. AS CAN BE EXPECTED, IRELAND'S MINISTER SAID
BRITAIN'S INFLUENCE " WILL BE MOST U
BOT. AT 2.70 10 BOT \$27.00

3. PLEASE AIR FREIGHT AND CABLE AWB NUMBER; FLIGHT
INFORMATION AND ETA IN ADVANCE. PLEASE SHIP TO CONNECT
IN PANAMA WITH PANAM FLIGHT 515 LEAVING PANAMA 2130
SUNDAY AND TUESDAY FOR BRASILIA.

4. TOTAL AMOUNT \$1,400
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